Assembly Bill No. 1931

CHAPTER 457

An act to amend Sections 104336 and 104337 of, and to repeal Sections 104339.5 and 104339.6 of, the Health and Safety Code, relating to injury prevention.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1931, Torrico. Injury prevention.

Existing law, the Roman Reed Spinal Cord Injury Research Act of 1999, establishes the Spinal Cord Injury Research Fund, continuously appropriated to the University of California, for the purpose of awarding grants to perform spinal cord injury research projects. The fund consists of moneys from private entities, as specified, as well as public moneys transferred to the fund. Existing law, with the approval of the Regents of the University of California, also creates a Spinal Cord Injury Research Program in the University of California to promote spinal cord injury research in California. The program and the fund are repealed as of January 1, 2011.

This bill would eliminate the Spinal Cord Injury Research Fund, and instead permit the University of California to establish a spinal cord injury research fund, independent of the State Treasury, to accept public and private funds for spinal cord injury research programs and grants, as prescribed. It would delete the repeal date of provisions relating to the Spinal Cord Injury Research Program thus indefinitely extending the duration of those provisions.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 104336 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

104336. The University of California may establish a spinal cord injury research fund, independent of the State Treasury, to accept public and private funds for the purpose of implementing this chapter.

SEC. 2. Section 104337 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

104337. Moneys in the fund established pursuant to Section 104336 may be expended by the University of California solely for spinal cord injury research programs and grants, and may be expended for, but not limited to, costs for peer review and grant administration.

SEC. 3. Section 104339.5 of the Health and Safety Code is repealed.

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SEC. 4. Section 104339.6 of the Health and Safety Code is repealed.